IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

Criminal No. 08-CR-486 (FJS)

DAVID LAFONTAINE

Defendant.

PRELIMINARY ORDER OF FORFEITURE

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. As a result of David Lafontaine's plea of guilty on the record on April 7, 2009 to Counts One, Four, and Five of Indictment No. 08-CR-486, which alleged forfeiture pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853, and defendant's admission of the forfeiture allegations set forth in that Indictment, the defendant shall forfeit to the United States all of his right, title and interest of any nature in any and all properties 1) used to facilitate and/or 2) constitutes proceeds generated by the defendant's narcotics activities, pursuant to Title 21 U.S.C. §§ 841, 846 and 853, as alleged in Indictment No. 08-CR-486.
- 2. The Court has determined, based on evidence already in the record, including the defendant's plea of guilty on the record on April 7, 2009 and admission of the illegal acts alleged in Indictment 08-CR-486, the following properties are subject to forfeiture, pursuant to Title 21 U.S.C. §§ 841, 846 and 853, and that the government has established the requisite nexus between such property and such offenses: \$1,000,000.00 money judgment.

- 3. Upon the entry of this Order, the United States Attorney General or his designated representative, is authorized to seize the properties set forth above which are subject to forfeiture.
- 4. Upon entry of this Order, the United States Attorney is authorized to conduct any discovery proper in identifying, locating or disposing of the properties subject to forfeiture, in accordance with Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(3).
- 5. Upon entry of this Order, the United States is authorized to commence any applicable proceeding to comply with statutes governing third party rights, including giving notice of this Order.
- 6. The United States shall publish notice of the order and its intent to dispose of the properties in such a manner as the Attorney General or his designated representative, may direct. The United States may also, to the extent practicable, provide written notice to any person known to have an alleged interest in the subject properties.
- 7. Any person, other than the above named defendants, asserting a legal interest in the subject property may, within thirty days of the final publication of notice or receipt of notice, whichever is earlier, petition the court for a hearing without a jury to adjudicate the validity of his/her alleged interest in the subject properties, and for an amendment of the order of forfeiture, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §982 incorporating 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(6).
- 8. Any petition filed by a third party asserting an interest in the subject property shall be signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury and shall set forth the nature and extent of the petitioner's right, title, or interest in the subject property, the time and circumstances of the petitioner's acquisition of the right, title or interest in the subject properties and any additional facts

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supporting the petitioner's claim and the relief sought.

After the disposition of any motion filed under Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(c)(1)(B) and 9.

before a hearing on the petition, discovery may be conducted in accordance with the Federal Rules

of Civil Procedure upon a showing that such discovery is necessary or desirable to resolve factual

issues.

The United States shall have clear title to the subject properties following the Court's 10.

disposition of all third-party interests, or, if none, following the expiration of the period provided in

21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(2), for the filing of third party petitions.

Pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(b)(3), this Preliminary Order of Forfeiture shall 11.

become final as to the defendants at the time of sentencing or before sentencing if the defendants

consent and shall be made part of the sentence and included in the judgment. If no third party files

a claim, this Order shall become a Final Order of Forfeiture as provided by Fed. R. Crim. P.

32.2(c)(2).

The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this Order, and to amend it as necessary, 12.

pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2(e).

The Clerk of the Court shall forward six certified copies of this order to Assistant 13.

U.S. Attorney Carla Freedman, U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of New York, P.O.

Box 7198, 100 South Clinton Street, Syracuse, NY 13261.

SO ORDERED:

Dated: 4/23/09 Syracuse, New York

Honorable Frederick J. Scullin, Jr.

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Senior United States District Judge